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Political Labeling Held Waiting Game

~~Editor: Congress battles to hold its~~
power through the right of reapportionment which was recently pre-empted by the United States Supreme Court. State governors want to hold on to their traditional states rights which are being speedily pre-empted by federal bureaucracy, partly through laws being passed by Congress, but mostly through decisions of the U.S. Supreme Court. County supervisors suddenly discover that the state has pre-empted their authority in many fields which have traditionally been subject to local control.

The Constitution clearly defines the chain of command. Article 1 begins: "All legislative Power herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States" and continues to specify the area of control and certain restrictions placed upon the several states.

Article IV, Sec. 4 states, in part, "The United States shall guarantee to every State in this Union a Republican Form of Government—."

Article VI states, in part, "This Constitution, and the Laws of the United States which shall be made in the pursuance thereof — shall be the supreme Law of the Land . . . and the judges in every State shall be bound thereby."

Amendment 10 states, "The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the states respectively or to the people."

The conservative element has long been trying to restore our nation to the traditions of our Constitution. We have been labeled "extremists," "right-wing extremists," "radical right," "fanatics," "Anarchists," "Communists," "paranoiac," "psychotic," ad infinitum, by so-called liberals and Fabian socialists.

Headings on a few recent news items: "Communist Leaders Move Freely in United States," "CIA Report Bares Red Campaign Aim," "U.S. Probe of S.F. Police Assailed by State Judge," "Greater Home Rule Desirable in Legislating Against Vice," "Supreme Court Usurps Powers," "Lawmakers Say Congress Is Bypassed on Viet Nam," "Home Rule Drive Urged For Counties," "National Chamber Pushing Philosophy of Localism," "Spending Out of Trust Funds Evades Control By Congress," "Government Grip on Press Is Cited," etc. How soon will it be until these writers are labeled with the same smears as the Conservatives?

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